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## RETURNING MILITARY PERSONNEL SHOULD REVIEW INSURANCE OPTIONS

The Idaho Department of Insurance Urges Service Personnel to Ensure They, Their Families Maintain the Right Coverage for Any Posting

BOISE ID (September 14, 2009) – As thousands of military personnel prepare to return from deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan in the coming months, the Idaho Department of Insurance encourages them to review their insurance coverage to make certain that they and their families stay protected no matter where they are.

"With frequent moves and changes in deployment status, members of the armed services face a unique situation when it comes to insurance," explained Department Director Bill Deal. "By staying on top of their insurance options, military personnel can make sure that they have the right coverage for any situation, whether they are in Kabul, Afghanistan; Kirkuk, Iraq; or Boise, Idaho."

Changes in auto and homeowners insurance and health insurance are some of the concerns that military personnel may be faced with during active duty assignments.

The National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) has a created a section on its consumer education Web site, <a href="http://www.insureuonline.org/course\_military.htm">http://www.insureuonline.org/course\_military.htm</a>, that addresses the special circumstances of military personnel.

For questions about insurance coverage for military personnel or other insurance issues, consumers are encouraged to contact the Department of Insurance at 334-4250 in Boise, 800-721-3272 toll-free statewide, or visit the Web site at <a href="https://www.doi.idaho.gov">www.doi.idaho.gov</a>.